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## **Understanding & Using the Directory of Georgia Livestock Processing Facilities**

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# **Understanding and Using the Directory of Georgia Livestock Processing Facilities**

In an attempt to increase farm revenues by adding marketing option and offer alternatives to consumers, a survey of small scale processing was conducted. The survey analyzes locations and potential for small scale livestock processing within Georgia; the objective is to better understand local processing opportunities for farmers.

Previously, there has been little information concerning small processing facilities in Georgia. The telephone survey revealed that Georgia has a non-commercial weekly slaughter capacity of about 775 cattle per week. Although the survey focused on cattle, it revealed that there is substantial capacity to slaughter other species. There is a broad range of charges which is broken down into two parts: 1) Slaughter and 2) Cutting and Processing. Slaughter Charges range from \$0 to \$45 per head, with an average of \$18.74. It is also important to note that those with no slaughter charges typically charge more for cutting, processing, and wrapping. These charges range from \$.15 to \$.45 per pound with an average \$.32 per pound. Applying the averages, the cost for processing a typical steer or heifer is about \$210. This price has inflated from recent years due to high offal disposal costs.

It is also important to note that these prices are average prices and that some facilities may charge more for specialized services such as curing, smoking, double wrapping, and specialty cutting. Individuals should be aware of

these specialty services, but only at certain facilities and at a higher price.

This directory should be considered a starting point for those consumers and producers interested in the meat processing industry. This industry is continually changing; therefore this information is subject to change as well.

## **Using The Directory**

This directory is intended to be a user friendly resource. The data is in table format with each firm is referenced to a map of Georgia. Those who already know the location of the firm will easily locate the firm from the number identifier from the chart directory. These map identifiers are located in the first column of the table. Finally, a map showing the leading livestock producing counties is included to help those who are interested in comparing the location of processing facilities with the most intensive production areas.

## State of Georgia Livestock Processing Facility Directory

Map Point	Name Address Phone	Times of Operation	USDA Inspected?	USDA Inspector on site?	Animals Processed	Weekly Cattle Capacity	Kill Charge	Processing Charge	Packaging
1	Baxley Abattoir 1427 Hatch Pkwy S Baxley, GA 31513(912)367-7614	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs	Not sure	\$5/head	\$0.15/lb	Freezer paper
2	Daves Creek Proc. Inc. 1790 Daves Creek Dr. Cumming, GA 30041 (770) 887-0250	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs Goats Deer Sheep	30-40	\$35/head	\$0.30/lb	Anything the customer wants
3	The Butcher Block 1628 Whitehouse Rd. Montezuma, GA 31063 (478) 472-7662	Year round	No	No	Cattle Hogs Goats Deer Sheep	20-30	\$20/head	\$0.30/lb	Freezer wrap Film Vacuum
4	Chambers Slaughterhouse & Proc. 4002 Murphy Hwy Blairsville, GA 30512 (706) 745-2022	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs Goats	Not sure	Cattle: \$15/head Hogs: \$17/head	Cattle & Hogs: \$0.30 Deer: \$55 for cleaning/proc.	Freezer paper
5	Bullard Rabbits Rt. 1, P O Box 334 Adel, GA 31620 (229) 896-3785	Year round	Yes	Yes	Rabbits	N/A	N/A	\$2.85/lb	Vacuum bag

6	C & B Processing 2961 Hwy 441 S Milledgeville, GA 31061 (478) 454-2005	Year round	No	No	Cattle Hogs Deer	25	N/A	\$0.30/lb	Double wrapped in freezer paper
7	Fernandez Packing Co. 1449 Raider Dr. Dalton, GA 30721 (706) 629-1125	Year round	Yes	Yes	Hogs	N/A	\$15/head	\$0.30/lb	Clear film
8	Towson Cold Storage 301 South Ridge Av. Tifton, GA 31794 (229) 382-1515	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs Goats Lamb	Not sure	\$15/head	\$0.38/lb	Freezer lock Double wrap
9	Williams and Sons Meat Co. East Railroad St. Sparks, GA 31647 (229) 549-7127	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs Goats Sheep	Not sure	\$25/head	\$0.45/lb	Freezer paper
10	Rock Creek Slaughter Co. 257 Rock Creek Rd. Lookout Mtn., GA 30750 (706) 820-2822	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs Deer	100	N/A	\$0.35/lb	Freezer paper
11	Monroe Provision Inc. 415 Mayfield Dr. Monroe, GA 30655 (770) 207-4781	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs Goats Sheep/Lamb	Not sure	Cattle/Hogs: \$45/head Goats/ Sheep/Lamb: \$25/head	Single wrap: \$0.35/lb Double wrap: \$0.45/lb	Freezer paper or Cellophane
12	Knight's Butchering & Proc. Co. 595 Pebble Rd. Keysville, GA 30816 (706) 554-3248	Year round	Yes	Yes	Hogs	N/A	\$35/head	N/A	N/A
13	Lowell Packing Co. South Dixie Hwy Fitzgerald, GA 31750 (229) 423-2051	Year round	Yes	Yes	Hogs	N/A	Varies	Varies	Boxes

14	Blalock Meats 193 Ponderosa Rd. Rabun Gap, GA 30568 (706) 746-2822	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs	12	\$30/head	\$0.35/lb	Freezer paper
15	Jones Country Meats 4214 Thomasville Rd. Climax, GA 31734 (229) 246-3700	Year round	No (State inspected)	No	Cattle Hogs				
16	Dunn's Sausage Co. P O Box 736 Sparta, GA 31087 (706) 444-5462	Year round	No (State inspected)	No	Hogs	N/A	N/A	N/A	1lb links 5lb boxes
17	B & M Processing 1460 Leonard Rd. Chatsworth, GA 30705 (706) 517-3680	Year round	No (State inspected)	No	Cattle Hogs Deer	Not sure	\$10/head	\$0.32/lb	anything
18	Country Jack's Sausage Co. 148 Coston Rd. Leesburg, GA 31763 (229) 883-6017	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs Goats	Not sure	\$25/head	\$0.33/lb	Freezer paper
19	Town & Country Packing Ind. 1085 Cobbham Rd. (706) 595-4330	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs	20	\$15/head	\$0.32/lb	Freezer paper
20	Thomson Packing Co. 2208 Harrison Rd., N.W. Thomson, GA 30824 (706) 595-3831	Year round	Yes	Yes	Hogs	N/A	N/A	N/A	Sausage links
21	Stewart's Quality Meats 204 Washington St. Vidalia, GA 30474 (912) 537-9888	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs Sheep	100	Cattle: \$25/head Hogs: \$0.08/lb	\$0.30/lb	Freezer paper

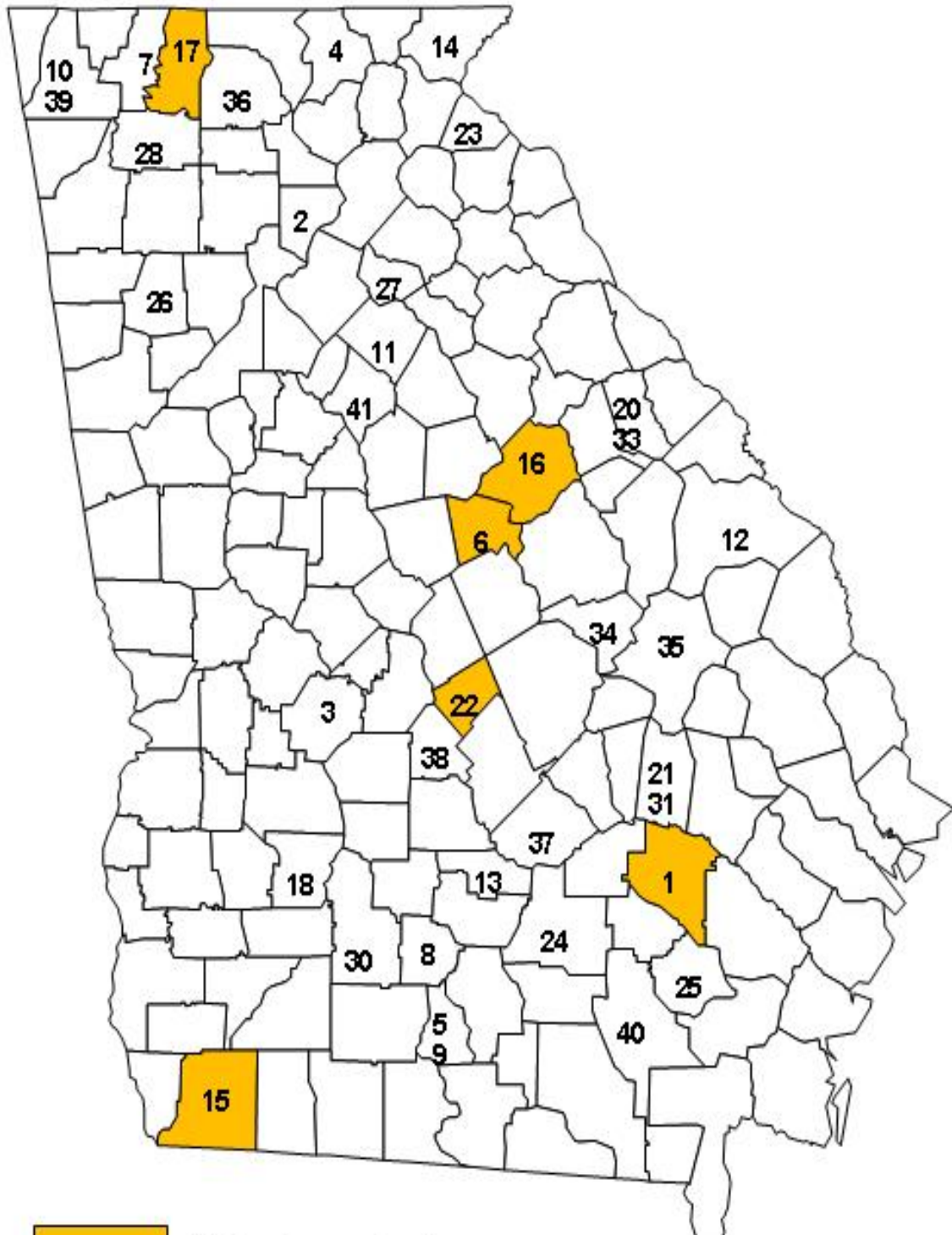
22	Peacock's Processing Rt. 1, Box 1145, Carey Rd Cochran, GA 31014 (478) 934-7518	Year round	No (State inspected)	No	Cattle Hogs	Not sure	Cattle: \$15/head Hogs: \$0.12/lb	Cattle: \$0.30/lb Hogs: \$0.38/lb	Freezer paper
23	Oak Valley Abattoir 2161 Oak Valley Rd. Toccoa, GA 30557 (706) 886-8556	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs	30	\$20/head	\$0.30/lb	Freezer paper
24	South GA Abattoir 2020 Broxton Rd. Douglas, GA 31533 (912) 384-6609	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs Goat Deer	100	\$10/head	\$0.33/lb	Freezer paper
25	Roberson's Abattoir 3786 Avant Rd. Blackshear, GA 31516 (912) 449-5184	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs Goats	40	\$25/head	\$0.28/lb	Freezer paper
26	Moody's Slaughter Co. 2900 Old Yorkville Rd. Dallas, GA 30157 (770) 445-9923	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs	30	\$15/head	\$0.32/lb	Butcher paper
27	Miller's Meat Processing 1257 Bethlehem Rd. Statham, GA 30666 (770) 725-7449	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs	20	\$0/head	\$0.40/lb	Freezer paper
28	Sheriff's Meat Proc. LLC 433 Owens Rd. Calhoun, GA 30701 (706) 602-8010	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs	20	\$18/head	\$0.32/lb	Freezer paper
29	Ratchford's Market & Abattoir, Inc. 204 Magnolia, GA 31312 (912) 772-3535	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs Deer	30	\$15/head	\$0.30/lb	Freezer paper/film

30	Miller Brothers Packing Co. 1118 Hwy 82 East Sylvester, GA 31791 (229) 776-2014	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs	Not sure	\$10/head	\$0.35/lb	Freezer paper
31	McLemore's Abattoir, Inc. 1912 Center Dr. Vidalia, GA 30474 (912) 537-2080	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs	25	\$25/head	\$0.28/lb	Freezer paper
32	Lanier's Butchering & Proc. 2035 Whisnant Rd. Blythe, GA 30805 (706) 592-1190	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs Deer	Not sure	\$15/head	\$0.30/lb	Freezer paper
33	Happy Valley Proc. Co. 206 Hobbs Mill Rd. Dearing, GA 30808 (706) 595-3777	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs Deer	80	\$0/head	\$0.33/lb	Freezer paper and film
34	McAfee Packing Co. Inc. 324 North Valley St. Wrightsville, GA 31096 (478) 864-3385	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs Goats	20	\$20/head	\$0.30/lb	Freezer paper
35	Lanier's Meat Proc. Plant, Inc. Rt. 2, Box 218 Twin City, GA 30471 (912) 685-5674	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs Goats	Not sure	\$10/head	\$0.32/lb	Freezer paper
36	Gilmer Meat Proc. 191 Pine Mountain Lane Ellijay, GA 30540 (706) 635-5660	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs	10	\$10/head	\$0.30/lb	Butcher paper and poly bags
37	Lumber City Meat Co. Burns St. Lumber City, GA 31549 (912) 363-4323	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs Goats Deer	25	\$25/head	\$0.32/lb	Freezer paper

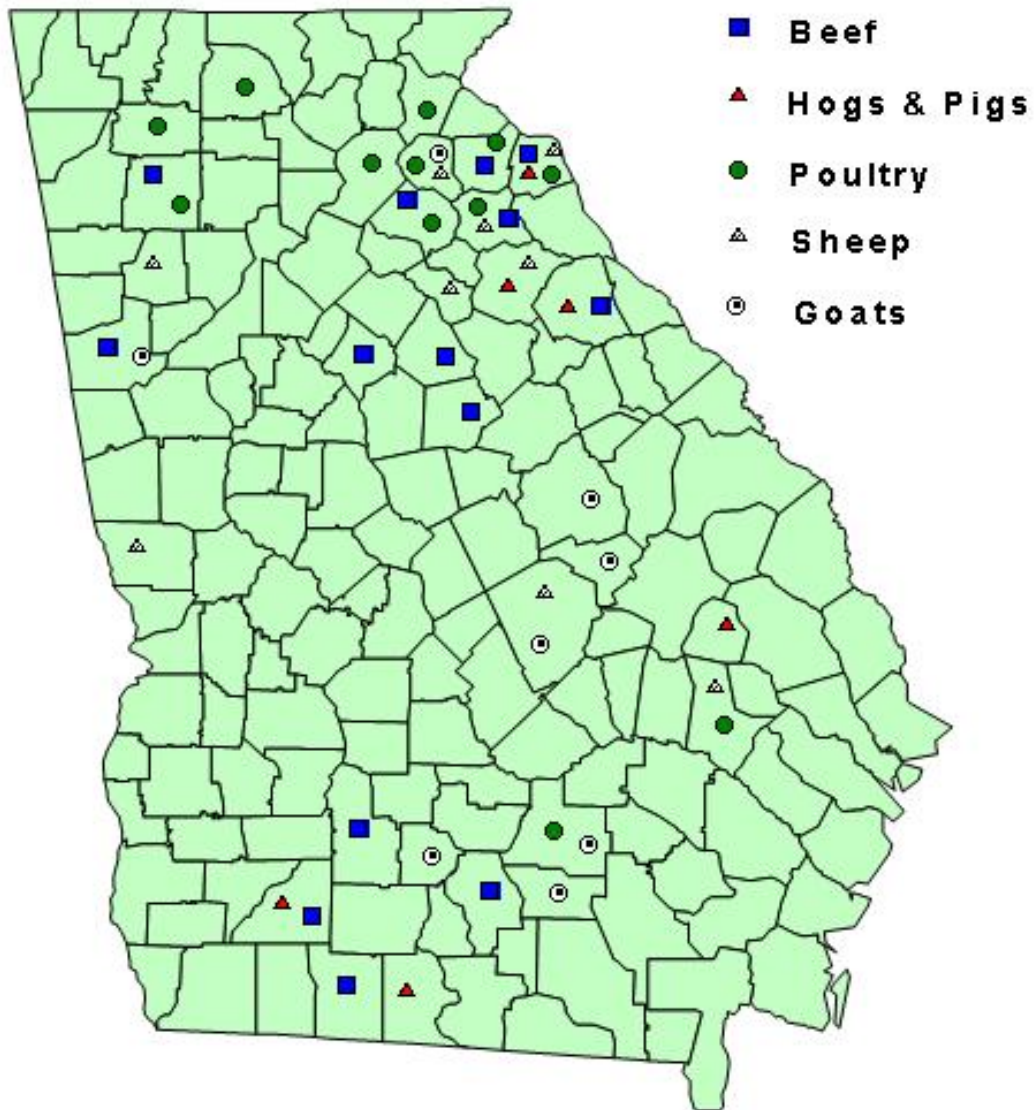


38	M & T Proc. Plant Rt. 3, Box 2110 Hawkinsville, GA 31036 (478) 783-1223	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs	Not sure	\$15/head	\$0.32/lb	Freezer paper
39	Lake Howard Proc. 3110 Ringgold Rd. LaFayette, GA 30728 (706) 638-3271	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs	Not sure	\$0/head	\$0.35/lb	Freezer paper/film
40	Lee & Davis Meats, Inc. 4794 Albany Hwy Waycross, GA 31503 (912) 283-2978	Year round	Yes	Yes	Cattle Hogs Deer	25	\$25/head	\$0.33/lb	Freezer paper or film
41	Capes Sausage Co. 1275 Oak Hill Rd., Rt. 2, Box 304 Covington, GA 30016 (770) 786-6540	Year round	Yes	Yes	Hogs	N/A	N/A	N/A	Sausage links

# Georgia Meat Processors



# Major Livestock Production by Leading Counties



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